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Classified By: Ambassador Ronald L. Schlicher, reasons 1.4 B/D

[1](#)1. (C) Summary: Total headcount of U.S. citizens received in Cyprus as of 1630L July 24 was 10,278; the Orient Queen is expected to arrive at 2300L carrying 772 U.S. citizens. 5,951 had departed by 1630L and outbound milair and civilian charter flights continue. Approximately 300 people remained at the Fairgrounds (only undocumented humanitarian cases and their relatives) as of 1700L and approximately 200 will remain in hotels until July 25. End summary.

CONSULAR

[1](#)2. (C) The following are consular updates:

--Accounting of U.S. citizens who have arrived in Cyprus as of 0800(L) July 24:

11 via helicopter July 16  
62 via helicopter and ship July 17  
37 via French-chartered ship July 18  
104 via helicopter July 18  
138 via Hoegh Norwegian ship July 19  
4 via Greek military ship July 19  
160 via helicopter (Beirut Air Bridge - BAB) July 19  
3 via HMS York July 19  
3 via Crete II July 19  
1054 via MV Orient Queen July 20  
3 via HMS Gloucester July 20  
27 via UN Serenade & IREA Petra July 20  
187 via helicopter (BAB) July 20  
100 via UN ship Serenade July 21  
1054 via USS Nashville July 21  
790 via Orient Queen July 21  
241 via helicopter (BAB) July 21  
1803 via USS Trenton July 22  
27 via Greek Ikaria July 22  
21 via MV Akioni July 22  
1050 via USS Nashville July 22

815 via Ramah July 22  
39 via helicopter 2108 July 22  
1005 via USS Whidbey July 23  
983 via Orient Queen July 23  
38 via helicopter July 23  
529 via USS Nashville July 24

TOTAL: 10,278

--The Orient Queen is expected to arrive 2300L with 772 U.S. citizens aboard, as well as one helicopter carrying 40 people at 1845L. The Rahmah is expected at 0900L July 25 with 154 U.S. citizens.

--A total of 5,951 U.S. citizens had departed Cyprus on U.S. charter and military flights as of 1630L July 24. More milair and commercial charter flights are scheduled to depart the evening of July 24.

--We estimate there were approximately 300 evacuees (undocumented humanitarian cases and their relatives) at the Fairgrounds by 1700L. Approximately 200 will remain in hotels overnight, with expected departure on July 25. Post plans to move arrivals from the July 24 Orient Queen and the July 25 Rahma directly from the port to the airport.

#### MANAGEMENT

14. (U) The following are management updates:

--Operations at the Larnaca airport are flowing smoothly on July 24; estimates of July 23 activity are that the airport (capacity less than 20,000 travelers) handled over 31,000 people.

#### PUBLIC AFFAIRS

15. (U) The following are public affairs updates:

--Embassy website has been updated with photos of SecState visit.

--Post is currently working on PA strategy for handing over the Fairgrounds to the Cypriot government, with proper and much deserved thanks to CTF 59.

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